

## **Weekly Status & Information Report: June 4 - 8, 2012**

### **1. Official City Meetings Scheduled the Week of June 11, 2012:**

- City Council meeting, Monday, June 11, 7:30 p.m. in the Auditorium
  - Recreation Committee meeting, Monday, June 11, 7:00 p.m. in the Hydrangea Room
  - Tree Commission meeting, Tuesday, June 12, 6:30 p.m. in the Lilac Room
  - Emergency Preparedness Committee meeting, Thursday, June 14, 8:30 a.m. in the Hydrangea Room
- All meetings are held in the Community Center, 7500 Maple Avenue, and are open to the public unless noted otherwise. *(City Clerk)*

**2. Street Paving Plans:** The street resurfacing program continues next week. The anticipated streets to receive milling and paving included Anne Street, University Blvd Service Road and Wildwood Drive (between Anne Street and Kirklynn Avenue). *(Public Works)*

**3. A Work-In-Progress Screening - Tonight:** We are Takoma and Docs in Progress present a screening of "Essakane Unveiled" tonight, June 7 at 7:30 p.m. with filmmakers Kiley Kraskouskas, Leola Calzolari-Stewart, and Andrea Pappito. From the bustling streets of Bamako to the desolate dunes of the Sahara, "Essakane Unveiled" takes us to the most remote music festival in the world, Festival au Desert. Founded to foster cultural exchange and economic development, the music festival has grown into a world-class event. As the fate of the festival hangs in the balance amidst a violent standoff between rebel Tuaregs and the Malian government, this work-in-progress film looks at the power of music for international understanding. After the film the audience will have an opportunity to provide feedback to the filmmakers, helping them to progress to the next stage of completing and distributing the film. Takoma Park Community Center Auditorium. Free Admission. *(Housing & Community Development)*

**4. Tonight: T-Ball - Coaches Meeting / Clinic on Thursday, June 7:** Head Coaches and Assistant Coaches from all 10 teams are expected to attend the 2012 Coaches Meeting/Clinic tonight. Volunteer Coaches are at the heart of a good program. During this meeting, volunteers will have the opportunity to learn good coaching techniques that will make the league enjoyable for everyone. Coaches Meeting / Clinic will be held on Thursday, June 7, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at the Takoma Park Community Center, 7500 Maple Avenue, in the Hydrangea Room. *(Recreation)*

**5. Ayreheart Concert - Friday, June 1:** We are Takoma presents GRAMMY-nominated lutenist Ronn McFarlane and Ayreheart with guest vocalist Audrey Tornblom, a native of Takoma Park, on Friday, June 8 at 7:30 p.m in the Takoma Park Community Center Auditorium. The music of Ayreheart reflects elements of Folk, Celtic, Bluegrass, Jazz and Classical music, blending the old with the new to create the unique sound of Ayreheart. Reception following the concert. Donations welcome. [www.facebook.com/events](http://www.facebook.com/events) *(Housing & Community Development)*

**6. T-Ball Kickoff Event Saturday, June 9:** The annual T-ball Kickoff Event is right around the corner. During the event, participants will move through various t-ball stations allowing each player to gain t-ball experience in a fun environment. Parent participation is encouraged. T-ball Kickoff Event: Saturday, June 9, 2012, 9:00 a.m., Lee Jordan Field in Takoma Park. If you are unable to walk to the event, parking is available at Takoma Park Middle School. Please wear comfortable clothes and bring a baseball glove, if possible. *(Recreation)*

**7. French Circle Time:** The last French Circle Time of the season takes place this Saturday, June 9, at 10:30 a.m. Join Madame Marie as she leads the crowd in French songs and rhymes in a program funded by the Friends of the Library. French Circle Time will then take a summer hiatus, and return in September. *(Library)*

**8. Summer Quest Kick-Off:** The Library's unique Summer Quest summer reading program kicks off on Monday, June 11 at 7:00 p.m. Come to sign up for the program, and get a quick run-down of this year's story and challenges from Summer Quest creator Dave Burbank. If you can't make it on Monday evening, don't worry! You can sign up for Summer Quest anytime during the summer. Last year we had more than 200 readers participate in our interactive, original program, and we hope to boost that number further this summer. Readers of all ages can participate — just ask us how! Remember, our Library is the ONLY library in Maryland to create its own summer reading program, thanks to the great support of the Friends of the Library. *(Library)*

**9. Ride of Your Life - Class is Filling Fast!** On Tuesday, June 12, Takoma Bicycle is partnering with the Recreation Department to hold a spring/summer biking workshop for commuters, called Ride of Your Life. Bruce Sawtelle will be talking about basic safety concerns, bicycle maintenance, how to fix a flat, and things to take on rides. It's open to cyclists of varying skill levels. The workshop will conclude with a question-and-answer session. Registration is required. Event is Free and open to all ages. Class will be held in the Azalea Room, located in the Takoma Park Community Center (7500 Maple Avenue) at 6:00 p.m. For additional information please contact Lew McAllister at (301)891-7284 or [LewM@takomagov.org](mailto:LewM@takomagov.org). *(Recreation)*

**10. Ethan Allen Gateway Streetscape Design Open House - June 14:** Concept Alternatives have been developed for the new Ethan Allen Gateway Streetscape, incorporating pedestrian safety enhancements, bicycle lanes, street trees, and stormwater infiltration facilities. Share your thoughts and preferences for the Concepts at the meeting and discuss questions and ideas with the project team. Thursday, June 14, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. in the Azalea Room at the Takoma Park Community Center, 7500 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park. For more information on the project, see <http://www.thenewave.com/development/projects/eag>. *(Housing & Community Development)*

**11. Summer Camp Registration - More Spaces Added:** Since the majority of the Summer Camps are full, the Recreation Department has added additional spots to many of its camp offerings. These additions have been made in attempts to accommodate as many people as possible from the Community. The Department offers a wide range of camps that appeal to all interests. Camp Takoma offers sports, nature, arts and crafts, music, swimming and other special activities. Our specialty camps have been designed to give each child a unique summer experience. To view Summer Camp offerings online please visit: [www.takomaparkmd.gov/recreation](http://www.takomaparkmd.gov/recreation) or call Lew McAllister at (301)891-7284 for additional information. *(Recreation)*

**12. Summer Camp - Deal of the week!** Enjoy \$25 off Dance Camp when you register by Friday, June 8, 2012. (While space is available) That's right! We're offering a \$25 discount on our Summer Dance Camp when you register by Friday, June 8. This amazing deal allows you to save big on one of our hottest specialty camps this summer. Hurry, as there are only a few spots remaining! To view Summer Camp offerings online, please visit: [www.takomaparkmd.gov/recreation](http://www.takomaparkmd.gov/recreation) or call Lew McAllister at (301)891-7284 for additional information. *(Recreation)*

**13. FIFTY IS NIFTY!!!!:** On Saturday, June 2, Takoma Park Recreation Center hosted 50 & Over Basketball! It was a great turn-out and immense fun for all who participated. Come out on Saturdays at 11:45 a.m. and shoot around or play a fun game of basketball with friends! If you or someone you know is still playing at the age of 50, come and join the fun at the Takoma Park Recreation Center. For more information contact John Webster at 301-891-7289. *(Recreation)*

**14. Officers in Meetings:**

- On June 4, Chief Ricucci attended Ward 4 night and addressed the City Council on recent burglaries in the City.
- On June 5, Chief Ricucci and Sgt. Gilbert met with the minister of Zion Lutheran Church regarding recent noise problems.
- On June 6, Chief Ricucci attended a meeting with SHA representatives and residents of Ward 1, which was set up by Councilman Grimes, to discuss the intersection of Holly Avenue and Rt. 410.
- On June 8, Chief Ricucci will attend a graduation for Cpl. Rodriguez and Cpl. Gaskin who are graduating from the Leadership School of IACP put on by the Montgomery County Police Department; also on June 8, Chief Ricucci will attend a meeting with the Board of Directors at Zion Lutheran Church to discuss recent problems.
- On June 10, Chief Ricucci will attend the annual Jazz Festival.
- On June 12 Capt. Coursey and other members of the TPPD supervisory staff will participate in a functional exercise of the Montgomery County Emergency Management Group (EMG) simulating a severe summer storm event. Issues such as COOP plans, debris removal, lines of communication and other issues will be examined through the exercise. *(Police)*

**15. Officers in Training:**

- On June 4, Pfc. Walpole attended training entitled "Female Enforcers" at the University of Maryland College in College Park, Maryland.
- On June 4-8, 2012, Cpl. Rodriguez and Cpl. Gaskin attended the third week of a three week training class entitled "Leadership in Police Organizations" at the Public Safety Training Academy.
- On June 6, Sgt. John attended training entitled "Law Enforcement Emergency Medical Care Instructor Certification" at the Prince George's Community College in Largo, Maryland. *(Police)*

**16. Traffic Enforcement:** Officers conducted at least 116 traffic stops, which resulted in citations, four vehicle impounds, and two arrests from traffic.

***During June 2-5, 2012, the following details were completed:***

June 2, 2012

- Ethan Allen Avenue & Jackson Avenue (stop sign enforcement) – conducted a 60-minute detail and issued one State citation and five warnings.

June 3, 2012

- Ethan Allen Avenue & Jackson Avenue (stop sign enforcement) - conducted a 30-minute detail and issued two warnings.
- Sherman Avenue & Maple Avenue (stop sign enforcement) - conducted a 60-minute detail and issued four warnings.

June 4, 2012

- Various locations throughout the City (seatbelt enforcement) – conducted a detail throughout various times of the day and issued six State citations.
- Devonshire Road & Elm Avenue (stop sign enforcement) - conducted a 30-minute detail and issued no citations or warnings.
- Holly avenue & Philadelphia Avenue (stop sign enforcement) - conducted a 30-minute detail and issued no citations or warnings.
- Flower Avenue & Kennebec Avenue (speeding) - conducted a 30-minute detail and issued no citations or warnings.
- Ethan Allen Avenue & Jackson Avenue (stop sign enforcement) - conducted a 60-minute detail and issued one State citation.
- Ethan Allen Avenue & Jackson Avenue (no right turn enforcement) - conducted a 60-minute detail and issued one State citation and four warnings.
- Maple Avenue & Ritchie Avenue (stop sign enforcement) - conducted a 30-minute detail and issued one State citation.
- Flower Avenue & Jackson Avenue (stop sign enforcement) - conducted a 60-minute detail and issued five State citations.
- Maple Avenue & Sherman Avenue (stop sign enforcement) - conducted a 30-minute detail and issued one State citation.

June 5, 2012

- Flower Avenue & Garland Avenue (stop sign enforcement) - conducted a 90-minute detail and issued seven State citations and one warning. *(Police)*

**17. Traffic Officer Stats (Pfc. Walter Smith):**

*No Stats for June 4 and 6, 2012*

State Citations issued: 31

Warnings: 12

Safety Equipment Repair Orders: 1

Calls for Service: 15

Reports Written: 3

Field Investigative Reports (FIRs): 3

Court: 2 hours

Foot patrol: 3 hours

Training: 30 minutes

*(Police)*